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In the aftermath of M-DAY, five disparate heroes are brought together in London: CAPTAIN BRITAIN, JUGGERNAUT, NOCTURNE, DAZZLER and SAGE. Together with government agent PETE WISDOM (an agent of MI-13, the division of Her Majesty's Intelligence Service devoted to the supernatural), they stand as a symbol of might in the service of right.

While Sage prepares to move the captured team of EVIL X-MEN from a local prison facility, the rest of Excalibur rushes to join rescue efforts at a terrorist bombing caused by a former mutant hero.

Juggernaut and Nocturne stay at the disaster site while Wisdom, Captain Britain and Dazzler join Sage at the prison to oversee the prisoner transfer. The team is attacked on three fronts, however—Sage is psychically assaulted by the SHADOW XAVIER, while the rest of the heroes fend off assaults from mechanical vines.

As Captain Britain deals with the vines, Wisdom and Dazzler are attacked by the WARDEN of the prison—BLACK TOM CASSIDY in disguise! Black Tom takes down Wisdom and KILLS Dazzler.

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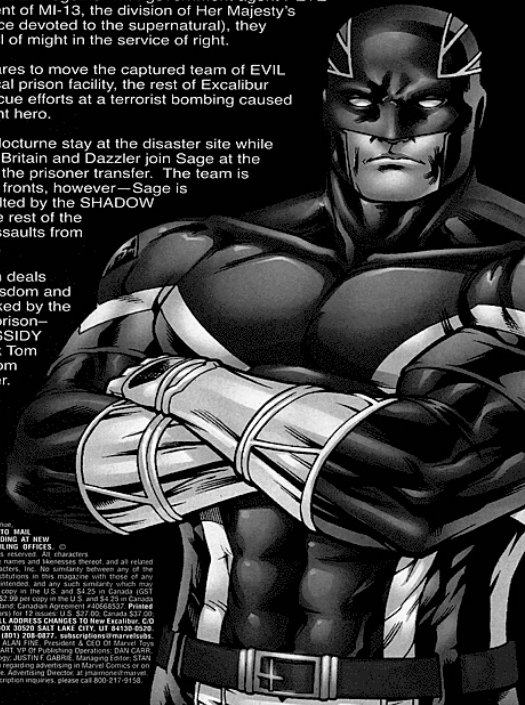
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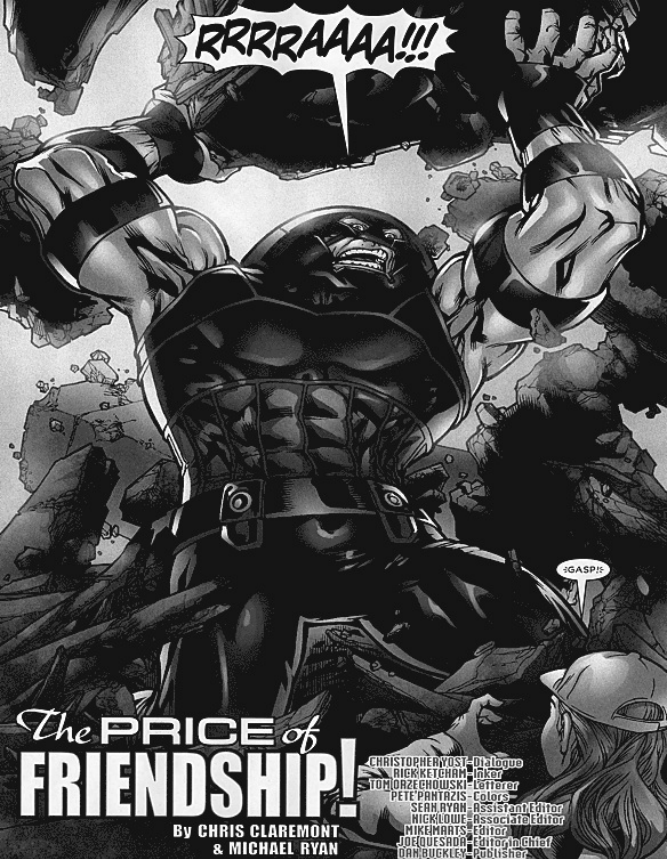
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RRRRRAAAA!!!

GASP!

The PRICE of FRIENDSHIP!

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THAT...
THAT
WAS?

WHA--?
OH, COME
ON!



WHULP!!

YANK!

JUGGERNAUT!



CHUNK!

UH!



COME
ON...



...YOU
LOUSY
HUNK A'
METAL...



HOLD!



SNAP!

HO--



--000000LLD!!

ENOUGH
A' THIS!!

YOU STUPID PLANTS
ARE ABOUT TO LEARN
A LESSON.

NOBODY...

THCK!!

...BUT
NOBODY...

...STOPS...

SHR
KK
K!!

...THE
JUGGERNAUT!!

CRASH!

UMM,
YEAH.
SO
THERE.

JUGGERNAUT...

GOOD
LORD, THAT
WAS... THAT
WAS...

DID YOU
SEE...

OH!
WHOA!

AUGH!!

ACK!

UTY!

PLSSSH!

ONE SIDE,
EVERYBODY!
COMING
THROUGH!



HER MAJESTY'S PRISON,
WORMWOOD SCRUBS

IT WOULD
SEEM THEY DON'T
MAKE X-MEN LIKE
THEY USED TO,
DOESN'T IT?

ALISON!
ALISON!

AHHH,
SO GOOD TO
BE BACK IN
FORM--

RRR!
SAGE!
SAGE!
COME IN!

--HEROES
TO CRUSH...

LOOK AT HOW YOU
STRUGGLE.

YOU
AMUSE ME,
SAGE.

ENNN!

--MONEY
TO BE
MADE--

...WHAT
MORE COULD A
MAN ASK FOR
IN LIFE?

GIVE IT
UP, CAPTAIN!
THERE ARE
WORSE WAYS TO
GO THAN
HAVING THE LIFE
SQUEEZED OUT
OF YOU!

WHAM!

BUT
ONLY A
FEW.

UHH!

THOM!

KRA-KO

OOM!!!

I'm alive.

Well, this
is getting
ridiculous.

HAHAHA-
HAHA!!!

CASSIDY,
WILL YOU QUIT
PLAYING
ABOUT?

SECURE THE
STASIS
MODULES.

MY DARLING
MISS SCIICLUNA,
THIS IS THE PART
THAT MAKES IT
ALL WORTH-
WHILE.

ASIDE
FROM THE
MONEY,
THAT IS.

I ASSURE
YOU, THIS
CAPT. IS IN
THE BAG.

BUT YOU
MIGHT WANT
TO CHECK ON
YOUR MAN
WISDOM
THERE.

YOU CAN QUIT
FAKING, PETER.
LEARNING BLACK
AIR'S PLANS
WON'T DO YOU
ANY GOOD.

I'M
ALWAYS
ONE STEP
AHEAD OF
YOU. AND
OF COURSE,
THERE'S THE
FACT THAT
YOU'RE
GOING
TO DIE
NOW.

ZARK!



'EY! BRADDOCK! LOOK ALIVE! THE ZOMBIE ROBOT VINES ARE HEADING FOR THE TRANSPORT!

THEN MAYBE... UH! YOU SHOULD... DO SOMETHING!

FINE. BUT THIS IS WHAT I GOT YOU HEROES FOR.

CHOOM!

CHOOM!

ZZZZZT!

NOW THEY'RE BLOODY ANGRY. LOVELY.

WHAT'S THE MATTER, CASSIDY? IS IT YOUR ENERGY SUSTAINING THESE THINGS? DOES HURTING THEM HURT YOU?

MAYBE YOU SHOULD CONSIDER GIVING UP BEFORE YOU GET TOO FRIED.

UH!H!

MAYBE NOT BLAIRE.

WHA--?







TRAPPED BODY
AND SOUL NOW,
SAGE, AND YET STILL
SO FEROCIOUSLY
DEFIANT.

YOU
WILL MAKE
SUCH A
DELICIOUS
PET.

...WILL...NEVER...
BE YOURS...



YOU ACT AS
IF THE OUTCOME
IS IN QUESTION,
MY DEAR.

YOU
ARE IN
MY
REALM
NOW.



IF YOU
PERSIST IN THIS
FUTILE EFFORT,
I'LL SIMPLY PEEL
BACK YOUR
LAYERS OF
EXPERIENCE...



...OF
TRAINING...
AND EVEN
OF WILL, UNTIL
I REACH A
POINT IN TIME
WHERE
YOU'RE MORE
PLIABLE.

THERE
ARE TWO
PATHS
BEFORE
YOU, SAGE.
LIGHT AND
DARK.
EASY OR
HARD.



STOP PRETENDING.
YOU WERE BORN TO
DARKNESS.
KNOW, YOU SEE,
LIKE ALWAYS CALLS
TO LIKE.



IF YOU
KNEW SO MUCH,
THEN YOU WOULD
REALIZE THAT
WHEN YOU'RE IN
MY HEAD...



...YOU
PLAY BY MY
RULES.





"PERHAPS SOME OF
THE MORE UPBEAT
MEMBERS."

"NOW YOU
TELL ME,
BRILLIANT."



**YEE-
HAW!**



CAPTAIN...
YOU HAVE
INCOMING.

WHAT?







FIVE
OF THE SIX
PRISONERS
ARE
LOADED,
SIR!



ONE
MORE TO
GO.

NO TIME
FOR THAT. BRITAIN
WILL BE ON US ANY
SECOND.

DO WE
WAIT FOR
CASSIDY?



GO TO STEALTH
MODE NOW, BEFORE
CAPTAIN BRITAIN CAN
INTERCEPT US.



"CASSIDY HAS
FULFILLED HIS
USEFULNESS TO
BLACK AIR."

NO,
NO!
WAIT!



BLAST!



TOMMMMMM!!!!

THOOM!
THOOM!
THOOM!

TOHMMM!

STOP,
CAIN. STOP
RIGHT WHERE YOU
ARE OR I SWEAR
TO YE, I'LL
SHOOT.

PLEASE...
PLEASE...
NO...

GIVE IT
UP, TOM.
DON'T MAKE
THINGS
WORSE. THIS
IS THE END
OF THE
ROAD.

HA!

NOT HARDLY, MY
OLD SON, THE YOUNG
LADY AND I ARE GOING
TO WALK OUT OF HERE
AND YOU'RE NOT GOING
TO MAKE A MOVE
TO STOP US.

CAIN?

CAIN?



"SAMMY PARE
COULDN'T A' HURT
YOU IF HE TRIED.
BUT YOU KILLED
HIM WITHOUT A
SECOND THOUGHT."



THAT
WASN'T
ME, CAIN. YOU
KNOW THAT.
I WASN'T IN
MY RIGHT
MIND.

HEH, AND NOW?
WHAT'RE YOU
GONNA TELL ME
THEN, PAL...

YOU GOT
BETTER?

LOOK
AT ME,
DAMN
YOU!

I WOKE UP ON
M'DAY AN' I WAS
MYSELF AGAIN! I
WAS HUMAN!

I'M
GLAD FOR
YOU, TOM.
TRULY.

YOU'VE GOT TO
UNDERSTAND... THAT
MAD LIFE, BEFORE...
IT WAS LIKE SOME
DREAM.

HATE TA BURST'CHER
BUBBLE, PAL, BUT
SAMMY AIN'T WAKIN' UP
FROM IT, EVER.

THAT
WASN'T MY
FAULT!

MAYBE
IT WAS,
MAYBE IT
WASN'T.

BUT A STAND-UP
GUY, HE LOOKS
AT WHAT HE DID
AND DECIDES FOR
HIMSELF WHERE HE'S
ACCOUNTABLE
AND WHERE
HE AIN'T.

YOU FIGURE,
NOW YOU'VE JOINED
THE SIDE OF TH'
ANGELS, THAT GIVES
YOU THE RIGHT TO
JUDGE ME?

I FIGURE, BECAUSE WE WERE
PARTNERS, BECAUSE WE WERE
FRIENDS. I OWE YOU A CHANCE T'
MAKE THE DECENT CALL.

PERSONALLY
THOUGH, TOM--AN'
I'M SORRY T' SAY
THIS, MISS--

--BUT
I'M KINDA
HOPING YOU
STAY
STUBBORN.

I'D LIKE TO HEAR YOUR
BONES BREAK THE WAY
SAMMY'S DID. I'D LIKE TO
MAKE YOU SCREAM THE
WAY HE DIDN'T.

NO
PLEASE...

HE WAS JUST
A KID, TOM, AN'
YOU AN' ME, FOR
ALL OUR FAULTS,
WE USED T' BE
BETTER THAN
THAT.

I WISH I
COULD
EXPLAIN--!

I'M WILLIN'
TA LISTEN. JUST
LET THE GIRL GO,
AND GIVE YOUR-
SELF UP.



NEXT:
**BRAIN-
STORM!**

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